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NIS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 279

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5 November 1958

1. The following were present:

Mr. D. J. Clinton	State
Mr. R. S. Kain	State
Mr. J. A. Minogue	Army
Capt. T. M. Peterson	Navy
Mr. H. P. Noland	Navy
Lt. Col. H. K. Avery	Air Force
Mr. Chas. P. Berney	Air Force

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CIA (Chairman)
CIA (Secretary)

* In attendance for review of Chapter I.

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The chairman introduced [REDACTED]
who visited the Committee in his capacity of Assistant to the
Deputy Director/Coordination, CIA.

2. Review of Chapter I on Japan

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The Committee reviewed the Chapter I on [REDACTED]
and approved the draft with minor changes, subject to further review
of a revised draft of Section 11 handed to the members at the meeting.
The Chapter I Task Group was requested to review comments sub-
mitted by the member agencies. The Committee decided to control
this chapter in view of contributor controls placed on Section 18 in
its entirety and on "Comments on Principal Sources" of Sections
14, 15, and 16.

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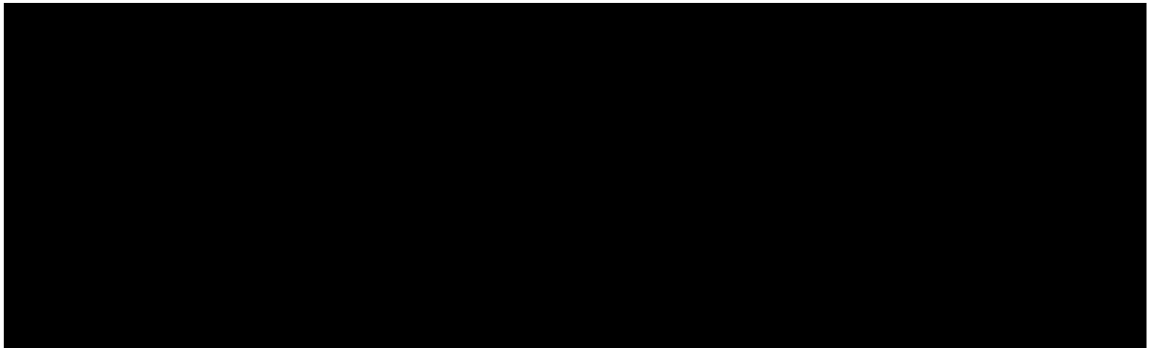
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The Army member requested policy guidance concerning the problem of adding to a Chapter I new information received after the release date. In his observation, the practice often required considerable work without changing the over-all significance. The chairman noted that the release date was common for all contributions to a Chapter I. A change in this date by any contributor should be done advisedly and as a result of new information materially affecting the fundamental situation. In that event, the other major contributors should be advised so that they could re-examine and determine any related aspects for inclusion in their own contributions.

The Committee also discussed several matters relating to the format and composition of the Chapter I summary map. The chairman referred these matters to the Chapter I Task Group for further study.

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4. Revision of IAC-D-45/12

The Committee approved the final draft dated 20 October 1958 of proposed revision of IAC-D-45/12 (refer to Item 2 NCM 277). The chairman said he would transmit this revision of "Procedures for Dissemination of the National Intelligence Survey to Foreign Governments" to the Intelligence Board for approval, and recommend deletion of Part II, "Approved Dissemination of NIS to Non-Intelligence Departments and Agencies" pursuant to Committee action on this matter (refer to Item 2 NCM 278).

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5. NIS Production Forecast

The Committee approved the NIS Production Forecast for Fiscal Year 1960-61-62, and the Tentative Production Schedule for Fiscal Year 1960, both dated 31 October 1958 (refer to Item 6 NCM 278). The chairman further discussed specific shortcomings of the forecast as set forth in his 31 October memorandum sent to all members. The Committee considered these matters at some length and agreed that the principal shortcomings shall be re-examined and rectified to the extent of capabilities as each year's production schedule is finalized.

6. Request for NIS from Department of Labor

The members were handed copies of a letter dated 5 November 1958 submitting a request from the Department of Labor for certain sections of Chapters IV, V, and VI on eight NIS areas, on the basis of justification contained in a letter from Department of Labor dated 24 October 1958. These published NIS sections are required on an ad hoc basis for use in meeting a specific request from International Cooperation Administration for labor handbooks on these areas. The handbooks will be unclassified and disseminated to ICA field offices, but no information will be published unless also available from unclassified sources, and no reference to NIS will be made. The members were asked to report the views of their agencies on the release of these NIS units.

7. Other Matters

a. The Committee approved changes in the Chapter I Outline Guide proposed at the last meeting, with amendment to Section 10 "Chronology" as submitted by State in memorandum of 4 November 1958, and other minor changes (refer to Item 9 b. NCM 278).

b. The Committee reviewed the revised Chapter VII Outline Guide submitted at the last meeting (refer to Item 9 d. NCM 278). All members approved the revision, except the Army member who proposed by memorandum dated 4 November 1958 a number of changes. The chairman said he will refer the proposal to a working group representing Army, OSI (SEC), and OBI for resolution.

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c. The Committee approved certain adjustments in the FY 1959 NIS Production Schedule which will be disseminated in Change Sheet No. 3.

d. The Air Force member requested policy guidance respecting treatment of current NIS sections on Egypt and Syria as part of the United Arab Republic. The State member recommended and the Committee agreed that Egypt and Syria be treated in separate sections with UAR aspects covered as necessary for each area.

8 The next meeting of the NIS Committee will be held at 1000 hours on Tuesday, 25 November 1958.

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